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THE LOUISIANA ECONOMIC SITUATION

Total nonagricultural employment in Louisiana was estimated at 1,649,800 for November compared to the October revised figure of 1,646,700 and the year-ago figure of 1,631,700. The November number displayed an increase of 3,100 and 18,100, respectively.

Goods producing employment was down 500 from last month and 900 below November of last year. Mining showed a small increase over the month. Decreases in the general contractors, and special trade contractors sectors caused construction to drop by 200. Manufacturing exhibited a loss as the food and kindred products nondurable goods segment returned to normal.

Service producing employment, estimated at 1,317,000, was 3,600 more than last month and 19,000 more than last year. Transportation, communications, and public utilities employment was estimated at 104,100. This was a decrease of 100 from October and 1,600 from one year ago. Considerable gains in the general merchandise, food stores, apparel and accessory, and miscellaneous retail trade sectors were mainly responsible for the increase in trade employment. Finance, insurance, and real estate employment decreased by 100 over the month. Services moved upward due to increases in the amusement and recreation segment. Government employment was higher in November on the local level in educational services.

Average weekly earnings for Louisiana's 136,300 production workers in manufacturing increased one cent from $552.96 in October to $552.97 in November. Also, there was an increase of $18.91 from November, 1992. Average hourly earnings were $12.83 in November. This estimate was three cents more than October and $0.41 higher than November of last year. Average weekly hours for November were 43.1, a decrease of 0.1 hours from the October revised level of 43.2 hours.

The November preliminary unemployment rate for Louisiana was 8.4 percent, an increase from the October revised rate of 7.5 percent. The national unemployment rate for November was 6.4 percent, a decrease from the October rate of 6.8 percent. Total unemployment for November increased to 159,900. The state's civilian labor force increased to 1,893,300, with an increase in total employment to 1,733,400.

REFERRED TO ON ERRATA SHEET

LOUISIANA
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (3)	1,649.8	1,646.7	1,641.7	+ 3.1	+ 8.1
GOODS PRODUCING	332.8	333.3	333.7	- 0.5	- 0.9
MINING	43.7	43.6	44.6	+ 0.1	- 0.9
Oil and Gas Extraction	41.9	41.8	42.8	+ 0.1	- 0.9
Nonmetallic Minerals	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	102.1	102.3	101.9	- 0.2	+ 0.2
General Contractors	19.0	19.1	19.2	- 0.1	- 0.2
Heavy Construction, ex. Bldg.	40.5	40.5	40.5	0	0
Special Trade Contractors	42.6	42.7	42.2	- 0.1	+ 0.4
MANUFACTURING	187.0	187.4	187.2	- 0.4	- 0.2
Durable Goods	80.7	80.7	80.2	0	+ 0.5
Lumber and Wood Products	12.6	12.5	12.6	+ 0.1	0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	5.7	5.7	5.6	0	+ 0.1
Primary Metal Industries	2.8	2.8	2.7	0	+ 0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	14.6	14.6	14.6	0	0
Machinery, Except Electrical	12.9	13.0	12.7	- 0.1	+ 0.2
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	5.9	5.9	5.9	0	0
Transportation Equipment	21.6	21.6	21.5	0	+ 0.1
Other Durable Goods (1)	4.6	4.6	4.6	0	0
Nondurable Goods	106.3	106.7	107.0	- 0.4	- 0.7
Food & Kindred Products	22.8	23.4	22.5	- 0.6	+ 0.3
Apparel & Other Textile Pdts.	10.3	10.3	10.3	0	0
Paper & Allied Products	12.1	12.1	12.5	0	- 0.4
Printing & Publishing	9.6	9.6	9.7	0	- 0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	30.3	30.2	30.6	+ 0.1	- 0.3
Inorganic Chemicals	7.1	7.1	7.2	0	- 0.1
Organic Chemicals	10.4	10.4	10.4	0	0
Petroleum and Coal Products	12.4	12.4	12.5	0	- 0.1
Petroleum Refining	11.3	11.3	11.4	0	- 0.1
Other Nondurable Goods (2)	8.8	8.7	8.9	+ 0.1	- 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING (3)	1,317.0	1,313.4	1,308.0	+ 3.6	+ 9.0
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	104.1	104.2	105.7	- 0.1	- 1.6
Railroad Transportation	4.8	4.8	5.1	0	- 0.3
Transportation, ex. Railroads	61.5	61.5	62.0	0	- 0.5
Water Transportation	23.2	23.1	23.4	+ 0.1	- 0.2
Communications & Public Util.	37.8	37.9	38.6	- 0.1	- 0.8
Comm., ex. US Postal Service	15.6	15.6	15.9	0	- 0.3
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Serv.	22.2	22.3	22.7	- 0.1	- 0.5

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LOUISIANA - CONTINUED
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	385.0	381.7	383.9	+ 3.3	+ 1.1
Wholesale Trade	86.5	86.5	86.4	0	+ 0.1
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	47.2	47.2	47.2	0	0
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	39.3	39.3	39.2	0	+ 0.1
Retail Trade	298.5	295.2	297.5	+ 3.3	+ 1.0
Bldg. Mat'ls. & Garden Supplies	10.8	10.8	10.7	0	+ 0.1
General Merchandise	41.1	39.8	40.7	+ 1.3	+ 0.4
Food Stores	60.2	59.5	59.6	+ 0.7	+ 0.6
Auto Dealers & Service Stations	31.4	31.5	31.5	- 0.1	- 0.1
Apparel and Accessory	16.5	15.6	17.0	+ 0.9	- 0.5
Furniture and Equipment	10.1	10.1	10.0	0	+ 0.1
Eating and Drinking Places	95.9	95.9	95.9	0	0
Other Retail Trade	32.5	32.0	32.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE	76.9	77.0	77.3	- 0.1	- 0.4
Banking	27.4	27.4	27.3	0	+ 0.1
Insurance	25.9	26.0	26.6	- 0.1	- 0.7
SERVICES	402.4	402.1	399.6	+ 0.3	+ 2.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.0	21.6	22.0	+ 0.4	0
Personal Services	14.0	13.9	13.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Business Services	64.5	64.9	64.6	- 0.4	- 0.1
Auto Repair, Services & Garages	11.4	11.3	11.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Miscellaneous Repair Services	6.4	6.2	6.4	+ 0.2	0
Amusement & Recreation Services	15.1	14.5	14.1	+ 0.6	+ 1.0
Health Services	134.8	134.7	134.9	+ 0.1	- 0.1
Hospitals	58.6	58.6	58.4	0	+ 0.2
Legal Services	16.2	16.2	16.3	0	- 0.1
Educational Services	28.5	28.6	26.8	- 0.1	+ 1.7
Social Services	24.7	24.7	24.4	0	+ 0.3
Membership Organizations	26.3	26.4	26.3	- 0.1	0
Eng., Acct. and Related Services	27.9	28.0	27.8	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Miscellaneous Services	5.5	5.5	5.6	0	- 0.1
GOVERNMENT (3)	348.6	348.4	341.5	+ 0.2	+ 7.1
Federal	37.5	37.5	37.4	0	+ 0.1
State and Local (3)	311.1	310.9	304.1	+ 0.2	+ 7.0
State (3)	111.1	111.2	109.8	- 0.1	+ 1.3
Local	200.0	199.7	194.3	+ 0.3	+ 5.7

*** Preliminary** ****Revised**

(1) Includes furniture and fixtures, professional equipment and misc. manufacturing industries.

(2) Includes leather, rubber and textile products.

(3) Per ERRATA page for data released on December 27, 1993.

All estimates of nonagricultural wage and salaried workers in this publication are prepared in cooperation with U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and include all full-time and part-time workers who were employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month.

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING AND SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN LOUISIANA

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov. '93*	Oct. '93**	Nov. '92**	Nov. '93*	Oct. '93**	Nov. '92**	Nov. '93*	Oct. '93**	Nov. '92**
ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	$552.97	$552.96	$534.06	43.1	43.2	43.0	$12.83	$12.80	$12.42
Durable Goods	503.80	504.58	475.88	44.0	44.3	42.3	11.45	11.39	11.25
Lumber & Wood Products	410.87	419.48	393.30	45.2	46.3	45.0	9.09	9.06	8.74
Stone, Clay, & Glass Pdts.	453.02	465.30	465.12	42.9	45.0	40.8	10.56	10.34	11.40
Fabricated Metal Products	458.15	460.51	477.96	43.1	43.2	42.0	10.63	10.66	11.38
Machinery, ex. Electrical	486.58	507.07	483.91	43.6	45.6	44.6	11.16	11.12	10.85
Electric & Electronic Equip.	874.58	807.44	714.53	47.3	46.7	43.2	18.49	17.29	16.54
Transportation Equipment	552.86	552.96	483.39	44.3	43.2	39.3	12.48	12.80	12.30
Nondurable Goods	592.62	590.80	581.16	42.3	42.2	43.5	14.01	14.00	13.36
Food & Kindred Products	341.14	331.28	345.87	41.3	40.4	42.7	8.26	8.20	8.10
Apparel & Other Textile Pdts.	206.64	206.03	239.91	32.8	32.6	37.9	6.30	6.32	6.33
Paper & Allied Products	645.68	643.30	643.57	41.9	41.8	43.9	15.41	15.39	14.66
Printing & Publishing	453.10	439.24	439.64	37.2	37.8	39.5	12.18	11.62	11.13
Chemicals & Allied Pdts.	885.01	851.09	839.96	47.1	44.7	46.0	18.79	19.04	18.26
Petroleum & Coal Products	981.15	1,102.18	938.91	46.9	53.4	48.1	20.92	20.64	19.52
Petroleum Refining	1,014.10	1,137.04	969.17	47.7	54.3	48.8	21.26	20.94	19.86
MINING	632.60	644.35	645.29	47.6	49.0	48.3	13.29	13.15	13.36
COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC UTILITIES	593.07	584.64	575.69	41.1	40.6	40.8	14.43	14.40	14.11
BANKING	322.65	325.62	310.96	37.3	37.6	36.8	8.65	8.66	8.45

(1) Data in the average earnings table are for approximately **136,300** full-time and part-time workers in manufacturing and **80,600** nonsupervisory employees in communications, public utilities, mining and banking. The averages are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

BATON ROUGE AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov. '93*	Oct. '93**	Nov. '92**	Nov. '93*	Oct. '93**	Nov. '92**	Nov. '93*	Oct. '93**	Nov. '92**
ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	$662.69	$665.76	$653.59	43.8	43.8	45.2	$15.13	$15.20	$14.46
Petro-Chemicals	913.40	921.67	909.54	47.4	47.0	48.9	19.27	19.61	18.60

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately **14,900** production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

NEW ORLEANS AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	$540.60	$563.77	$507.10	42.5	43.3	41.6	$12.72	$13.02	$12.19
Durable Goods	458.38	443.87	406.38	42.6	41.6	39.0	10.76	10.67	10.42
Stone, Clay, & Glass Pdts.	459.73	452.30	406.85	42.1	44.3	39.5	10.92	10.21	10.30
Fabricated Metal Products	446.65	460.67	411.65	41.9	44.9	40.2	10.66	10.26	10.24
Ship & Boatbld'g. and Repair	425.29	398.34	355.49	42.7	40.4	35.8	9.96	9.86	9.93
Nondurable Goods	616.31	674.55	603.73	42.3	45.0	44.1	14.57	14.99	13.69
Food & Kindred Products	403.85	396.17	398.46	42.2	40.8	43.5	9.57	9.71	9.16
Apparel & Other Textile Pdts.	172.06	160.63	183.12	30.4	29.1	33.6	5.66	5.52	5.45
Printing & Publishing	489.20	459.68	472.38	42.1	40.5	43.1	11.62	11.35	10.96
Chemicals & Allied Pdts.	1,023.47	977.86	946.37	49.3	46.3	50.5	20.76	21.12	18.74

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately **29,600** production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

SHREVEPORT AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	$637.14	$639.00	$584.05	44.4	45.0	40.7	$14.35	$14.20	$14.35
Lumber and Wood Products	341.73	339.83	341.01	43.7	41.8	42.1	7.82	8.13	8.10
Food and Kindred Products	428.78	418.00	394.72	36.9	38.0	37.7	11.62	11.00	10.47
Printing and Publishing	366.44	366.82	383.08	37.7	37.7	38.5	9.72	9.73	9.95
Chemicals & Allied Products	752.08	629.75	613.62	46.8	44.1	41.8	16.07	14.28	14.68

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately **12,600** production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

LOUISIANA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

(in thousands)	PRELIMINARY Nov., 1993 LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE	REVISED Oct., 1993 LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE	REVISED Nov., 1992 LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE
LOUISIANA (SEAS. ADJ.)	1,893.3	1,733.4	159.9	8.4	1,867.1	1,726.8	140.3	7.5	1,898.9	1,747.8	151.1	8.0
LOUISIANA (UNADJUSTED)	1,890.3	1,743.4	146.9	7.8	1,873.5	1,742.0	131.5	7.0	1,897.2	1,759.3	137.9	7.3
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS:												
Alexandria 1/	57.9	53.6	4.3	7.3	57.1	53.5	3.6	6.4	57.4	53.5	3.9	6.7
Baton Rouge 2/	277.9	257.6	20.3	7.3	277.1	258.7	18.4	6.6	278.5	261.2	17.3	6.2
Houma - Thibodaux 3/	68.7	63.8	4.9	7.1	68.0	63.7	4.3	6.4	68.8	63.5	5.3	7.8
Lafayette 4/	105.9	99.4	6.5	6.1	104.8	99.2	5.6	5.4	106.3	99.9	6.4	6.0
Lake Charles 5/	82.7	75.8	6.9	8.3	81.5	75.8	5.7	7.0	81.7	74.9	6.8	8.3
Monroe 6/	68.8	64.0	4.8	7.0	68.3	63.8	4.5	6.5	69.4	65.1	4.3	6.3
New Orleans 7/	560.9	520.0	40.9	7.3	556.3	517.7	38.6	6.9	567.6	530.5	37.1	6.5
Shreveport 8/	157.3	146.0	11.3	7.2	156.1	146.1	10.0	6.4	155.5	145.3	10.2	6.5

1/ Rapides Parish only. 2/ Includes Ascension, East Baton Rouge, Livingston, and West Baton Rouge parishes. 3/ Includes Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes. 4/ Includes Lafayette and St. Martin parishes. 5/ Calcasieu Parish only. 6/ Ouachita Parish only. 7/ Includes Jefferson, Orleans, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, St. Charles and St. John the Baptist parishes. 8/ Includes Bossier and Caddo parishes.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index, sometimes called the "Cost of Living Index", is a monthly measure of the average change in prices in a fixed quantity of goods and services.

ALL URBAN CONSUMERS	INDEX	% CHANGE FROM PRIOR MONTH	% CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEAR
Nov. 1993	145.8	+ 0.1	+ 2.7
Nov. 1992	142.0	+ 0.1	+ 3.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, OTHER AREAS

AREA	PRELIMINARY NOVEMBER 93 LABOR FORCE	EMPL	UNEMP	RATE	REVISED OCTOBER 93 LABOR FORCE	EMPL	UNEMP	RATE
CROWLEY (ACADIA)	20,950	18,975	1,975	9.5	20,775	19,050	1,725	8.3
OAKDALE (ALLEN)	9,800	8,800	1,000	10.2	9,600	8,725	875	9.0
NAPOLEONVILLE (ASSUMPTION)	5,825	5,125	700	12.2	5,825	5,150	675	11.5
BUNKIE (AVOYELLES)	16,450	14,675	1,775	10.8	16,125	14,800	1,325	8.2
DERIDDER (BEAUREGARD)	14,000	12,825	1,175	8.4	13,925	12,875	1,050	7.5
ARCADIA (BIENVILLE)	6,850	6,400	450	6.5	6,825	6,425	400	5.8
COLUMBIA (CALDWELL)	4,225	3,875	350	8.4	4,200	3,900	300	7.0
CAMERON (CAMERON)	4,025	3,750	275	7.0	3,950	3,800	150	3.8
JONESVILLE (CATAHOULA)	3,850	3,400	450	11.7	3,775	3,425	350	9.4
HOMER (CLAIBORNE)	6,850	6,350	500	7.3	6,725	6,325	400	5.9
FERRIDAY (CONCORDIA)	8,075	7,175	900	11.1	7,950	7,200	750	9.5
MANSFIELD (DESOTO)	10,600	9,750	850	8.1	10,600	9,775	825	7.8
LAKE PROVIDENCE (E. CARROLL)	3,650	3,150	500	13.7	3,450	3,175	275	8.2
CLINTON (EAST FELICIANA)	7,000	6,400	600	8.7	6,875	6,350	525	7.4
VILLE PLATTE(EVANGELINE)	14,425	13,350	1,075	7.5	14,500	13,575	925	6.3
WINNSBORO (FRANKLIN)	10,150	9,025	1,125	11.1	9,900	9,075	825	8.2
COLFAX (GRANT)	6,600	5,950	650	9.9	6,525	6,000	525	8.1
NEW IBERIA (IBERIA)	26,100	24,025	2,075	8.0	25,750	23,900	1,850	7.2
PLAQUEMINE (IBERVILLE)	11,850	10,450	1,400	11.8	11,725	10,425	1,300	11.1
JONESBORO (JACKSON)	6,350	5,925	425	6.7	6,300	5,950	350	5.5
JENNINGS (JEFFERSON DAVIS)	10,600	9,550	1,050	9.9	10,525	9,650	875	8.4
JENA (LASALLE)	5,975	5,425	550	9.1	5,950	5,450	500	8.5
RUSTON (LINCOLN)	20,025	19,275	750	3.8	20,000	19,300	700	3.5
TALLULAH (MADISON)	5,575	5,025	550	9.7	5,525	5,050	475	8.5
BASTROP (MOREHOUSE)	13,450	12,050	1,400	10.4	13,325	12,100	1,225	9.3
NATCHITOCHES (NATCHITOCHES)	16,725	15,475	1,250	7.4	16,500	15,400	1,100	6.7
POINT-A-LA-HACHE (PLAQUM.)	7,850	7,175	675	8.7	7,825	7,225	600	7.7
NEW ROADS (POINTE COUPEE)	6,725	5,850	875	12.9	6,675	5,850	825	12.3
COUSHATTA (RED RIVER)	4,025	3,650	375	9.6	3,950	3,650	300	7.8
RAYVILLE (RICHLAND)	8,150	7,250	900	11.0	7,975	7,300	675	8.5
MANY (SABINE)	10,400	9,750	650	6.4	10,325	9,750	575	5.7
GREENSBURG (ST. HELENA)	2,675	2,400	275	10.7	2,600	2,400	200	7.9
LUTCHER (ST. JAMES)	7,850	6,825	1,025	13.0	7,750	6,775	975	12.6
OPELOUSAS (ST. LANDRY)	31,550	28,450	3,100	9.8	30,875	28,250	2,625	8.5
MORGAN CITY (ST. MARY)	21,350	19,325	2,025	9.5	21,275	19,300	1,975	9.2
HAMMOND (TANGIPAHOA)	41,800	37,675	4,125	9.9	41,425	37,650	3,775	9.1
ST. JOSEPH (TENSAS)	2,525	2,225	300	12.3	2,400	2,225	175	7.5
FARMERVILLE (UNION)	10,700	9,950	750	7.1	10,375	9,750	625	6.0
ABBEVILLE (VERMILION)	17,950	16,400	1,550	8.6	17,600	16,375	1,225	6.9
LEESVILLE (VERNON)	18,500	16,650	1,850	10.1	18,250	16,600	1,650	9.0
BOGALUSA (WASHINGTON)	17,450	15,975	1,475	8.5	17,300	15,900	1,400	8.1
MINDEN (WEBSTER)	16,450	14,550	1,900	11.5	16,425	14,600	1,825	11.1
OAK GROVE (WEST CARROLL)	4,375	3,725	650	14.9	4,400	3,850	550	12.7
ST. FRANCISVILLE (W. FELIC.)	4,250	3,975	275	6.7	4,250	4,000	250	5.9
WINNFIELD (WINN)	5,650	5,225	425	7.5	5,500	5,200	300	5.4

NOTE: LABOR MARKET AREAS ARE DESIGNATED BY NAME OF PRINCIPAL TOWN, BUT INCLUDE ALL OF PARISH IN PARENTHESES.

ABOVE DATA ROUNDED TO NEAREST 25. SUBTOTALS MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING. RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.

ALEXANDRIA AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	49.1	49.0	48.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
GOODS PRODUCING	6.7	6.7	6.3	0	+ 0.4
MINING	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	3.2	3.2	2.9	0	+ 0.3
MANUFACTURING	3.4	3.4	3.3	0	+ 0.1
Durable Goods	2.1	2.1	2.0	0	+ 0.1
Nondurable Goods	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	42.4	42.3	41.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	2.5	2.5	2.3	0	+ 0.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	10.9	10.8	10.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Wholesale Trade	2.0	2.0	1.8	0	+ 0.2
Retail Trade	8.9	8.8	8.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.1	2.1	2.1	0	0
SERVICES	13.7	13.7	13.7	0	0
Health Services	6.5	6.5	6.5	0	0
GOVERNMENT	13.2	13.2	13.0	0	+ 0.2
Federal	2.4	2.4	2.4	0	0
State and Local	10.8	10.8	10.6	0	+ 0.2
State	4.9	5.0	5.0	- 0.1	- 0.1
Local	5.9	5.8	5.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.3

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Alexandria MSA was estimated at 49,100 for the current month. This estimate was 100 more than last month and 1,100 higher than November, 1992.

Goods producing employment for the current month was estimated at 6,700. This estimate was unchanged from last month, but was up 400 over the prior year level of 6,300. The largest over-the-year increase was mainly in the construction industry.

Service producing employment was estimated at 42,400 for November. Employment was up in the retail trade and local government sectors, while employment was down in state government.

BATON ROUGE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	251.9	252.5	251.8	- 0.6	+ 0.1
GOODS PRODUCING	53.7	54.3	55.3	- 0.6	- 1.6
MINING	0.9	0.9	0.8	0	+ 0.1
CONSTRUCTION	29.8	30.4	30.9	- 0.6	- 1.1
MANUFACTURING	23.0	23.0	23.6	0	- 0.6
Durable Goods	5.5	5.4	5.8	+ 0.1	- 0.3
Nondurable Goods	17.5	17.6	17.8	- 0.1	- 0.3
Food & Kindred Products	1.8	1.9	1.9	- 0.1	- 0.1
Printing & Publishing	1.5	1.5	1.4	0	+ 0.1
Chemicals and Petroleum Products	12.4	12.4	12.6	0	- 0.2
Other Nondurable Goods	1.8	1.8	1.9	0	- 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	198.2	198.2	196.5	0	+ 1.7
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	11.6	11.6	11.5	0	+ 0.1
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	55.1	54.7	54.5	+ 0.4	+ 0.6
Wholesale Trade	13.4	13.4	13.6	0	- 0.2
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	8.9	8.9	9.2	0	- 0.3
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	4.5	4.5	4.4	0	+ 0.1
Retail Trade	41.7	41.3	40.9	+ 0.4	+ 0.8
General Merchandise	6.2	5.9	5.9	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	14.4	14.5	14.2	- 0.1	+ 0.2
Banking	4.5	4.5	4.4	0	+ 0.1
SERVICES	59.2	59.3	58.8	- 0.1	+ 0.4
GOVERNMENT	57.9	58.1	57.5	- 0.2	+ 0.4
Federal	2.8	2.7	2.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
State and Local	55.1	55.4	54.8	- 0.3	+ 0.3
State	31.1	31.3	31.0	- 0.2	+ 0.1
Local	24.0	24.1	23.8	- 0.1	+ 0.2

BATON ROUGE AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment for the Baton Rouge MSA shifted downward to a level of 251,900 in November. This was primarily due to employment losses in the construction industry.

Employment in the goods producing sector fell 600 below the October revised level of 54,300. Construction reached its lowest level since April, 1992, as all segments reported a slowdown in business. The largest over-the-year decrease also occurred in the heavy construction segment of the construction industry.

Employment in the service producing sector stabilized in November at a level of 198,200, remaining above the prior year estimate of 196,500. Most of the monthly increase occurred in the retail trade industry due to traditional pre-Christmas hiring, and new or expanding business activity. The only other segment reporting positive movement was the federal workforce, gaining 100 in November. Finance, insurance, and real estate reported a minimal loss, mainly in the real estate agents and managers segment. Total government declined to 57,900 for November, responding to seasonal cutbacks in both state and local government.

Average weekly earnings of the Baton Rouge MSA's 14,900 production workers in all manufacturing was $662.69 for November, a decrease of $3.07 from the October average. Compared to the prior year, weekly earnings were up $9.10. Average weekly hours remained at 43.8, while average hourly earnings at $15.13, decreased by seven cents an hour. The increase of lower-paid employees contributed to these changes.

The total civilian labor force for the Baton Rouge MSA registered at 277,900. This figure was comprised of 257,600 employed and 20,300 unemployed. The unemployment rate stood at 7.3 percent in November.

The Baton Rouge Job Service office served 1,957 individuals with new or renewal applications. A total of 1,193 referrals to current openings resulted in 132 placements during the montn of November.

HOUMA - THIBODAUX AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	59.5	59.6	58.1	- 0.1	+ 1.4
GOODS PRODUCING	12.8	13.2	12.3	- 0.4	+ 0.5
MINING	4.6	4.7	4.3	- 0.1	+ 0.3
CONSTRUCTION	3.2	3.4	3.1	- 0.2	+ 0.1
MANUFACTURING	5.0	5.1	4.9	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Durable Goods	3.3	3.3	3.1	0	+ 0.2
Nondurable Goods	1.7	1.8	1.8	- 0.1	- 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	46.7	46.4	45.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.9
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	5.7	5.6	5.8	+ 0.1	- 0.1
Water Transportation	3.3	3.2	3.4	+ 0.1	- 0.1
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	15.1	15.0	14.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Wholesale Trade	3.0	3.0	3.0	0	0
Retail Trade	12.1	12.0	11.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
General Mdse. & App. & Acc.	2.4	2.3	2.4	+ 0.1	0
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.2	2.2	2.2	0	0
SERVICES	11.4	11.5	11.0	- 0.1	+ 0.4
GOVERNMENT	12.3	12.1	12.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
Federal	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0
State and Local	11.8	11.6	11.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
State	3.4	3.4	3.5	0	- 0.1
Local	8.4	8.2	8.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.4

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Houma-Thibodaux MSA dropped slightly to 59,500, a loss of 100 from October's revised level of 59,600. A gain of 300 was seen in the service producing industry, but a loss of 400 in goods producing brought the total down for the area. The year-ago change for total nonagricultural employment was an increase of 1,400.

Goods producing employment fell from 13,200 in October, to 12,800 in November. Each sector of the industry experienced a small decrease, except durable goods manufacturing, which remained stable.

Service producing employment moved up in November to a level of 46,700. This was a rise of 300 above October's estimate of 46,400. Transportation, communications, and public utilities employment was higher due to more business in the water transportation segment. Trade was higher due to increased hiring for the holiday season. Services employment exhibited small losses scattered throughout the industry. Government rose at the local government level.

Estimated unemployment was 4,900 in November. Unemployment presently comprises 7.1 percent of the civilian labor force for the Houma-Thibodaux MSA. Recipients of regular unemployment benefits totaled 698.

LAFAYETTE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	102.6	102.3	101.3	+ 0.3	+ 1.3
GOODS PRODUCING	26.3	26.0	25.6	+ 0.3	+ 0.7
MINING	10.8	10.8	10.6	0	+ 0.2
CONSTRUCTION	5.5	5.4	5.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
MANUFACTURING	10.0	9.8	9.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
Durable Goods	3.5	3.4	3.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Nondurable Goods	6.5	6.4	6.5	+ 0.1	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	76.3	76.3	75.7	0	+ 0.6
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	5.9	6.0	6.1	- 0.1	- 0.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	26.8	26.7	26.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Wholesale Trade	6.5	6.4	6.5	+ 0.1	0
Retail Trade	20.3	20.3	20.2	0	+ 0.1
General Merchandise	2.5	2.4	2.5	+ 0.1	0
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	4.0	4.0	4.0	0	0
Banking	1.2	1.2	1.2	0	0
SERVICES	25.7	25.7	24.9	0	+ 0.8
GOVERNMENT	13.9	13.9	14.0	0	- 0.1
Federal	1.0	1.0	1.0	0	0
State and Local	12.9	12.9	13.0	0	- 0.1
State	4.9	4.9	5.0	0	- 0.1
Local	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Lafayette MSA was estimated at 102,600 for November. This estimate was 300 more than last month and 1,300 more than November, 1992.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 26,300 for the current month. This was an increase of 300 over the October level of 26,000. Manufacturing increased by 200 due to more hiring in the printing and publishing, and miscellaneous manufacturing sectors. Construction rose 100 with the increase centered in the special trade contractors sector.

Service producing employment was estimated at 76,300 for November. This was unchanged from the October level, but 600 more than the November, 1992 level of 75,700. Transportation, communications, and public utilities showed a minimal loss of 100, while trade rose by 100.

LAKE CHARLES AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	73.8	73.6	71.6	+ 0.2	+ 2.2
GOODS PRODUCING	21.5	21.6	20.5	- 0.1	+ 1.0
MINING	1.0	1.0	1.0	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	9.4	9.5	8.7	- 0.1	+ 0.7
MANUFACTURING	11.1	11.1	10.8	0	+ 0.3
Durable Goods	1.7	1.7	1.3	0	+ 0.4
Nondurable Goods	9.4	9.4	9.5	0	- 0.1
Chemical & Petro Products	8.5	8.5	8.6	0	- 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	52.3	52.0	51.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.2
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	4.6	4.6	4.5	0	+ 0.1
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	16.8	16.7	16.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
Wholesale Trade	3.4	3.4	3.5	0	- 0.1
Retail Trade	13.4	13.3	12.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.8
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.6	2.6	2.7	0	- 0.1
SERVICES	15.9	15.7	15.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
GOVERNMENT	12.4	12.4	12.1	0	+ 0.3
Federal	0.6	0.6	0.5	0	+ 0.1
State and Local	11.8	11.8	11.6	0	+ 0.2
State	4.0	4.0	3.8	0	+ 0.2
Local	7.8	7.8	7.8	0	0

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Lake Charles MSA was estimated at 73,800 in November. This was an increase of 200 above October's revised level of 73,600, and 2,200 more than the year-ago figure.

Goods producing employment fell slightly from 21,600 in October to 21,500 in November. The loss of 100 occurred in the construction segment.

Service producing employment rose in November to 52,300, a jump of 300 from October's level of 52,000. The increase was centered in retail trade and services.

MONROE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	61.7	61.4	61.9	+ 0.3	- 0.2
GOODS PRODUCING	11.9	11.8	12.0	+ 0.1	- 0.1
MINING	0.4	0.4	0.4	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	3.5	3.5	3.4	0	+ 0.1
MANUFACTURING	8.0	7.9	8.2	+ 0.1	- 0.2
Durable Goods	2.3	2.3	2.1	0	+ 0.2
Nondurable Goods	5.7	5.6	6.1	+ 0.1	- 0.4
Food & Kindred Products	0.5	0.5	0.6	0	- 0.1
Other Nondurable Goods	5.2	5.1	5.5	+ 0.1	- 0.3
SERVICE PRODUCING	49.8	49.6	49.9	+ 0.2	- 0.1
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	3.0	3.0	2.9	0	+ 0.1
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	15.7	15.4	15.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.5
Wholesale Trade	3.3	3.3	3.2	0	+ 0.1
Retail Trade	12.4	12.1	12.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
General Mdse. & App. & Acc.	2.9	2.7	2.9	+ 0.2	0
Eating & Drinking Places	4.0	4.0	3.7	0	+ 0.3
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	4.2	4.3	4.2	- 0.1	0
Banking	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
SERVICES	15.0	15.0	14.8	0	+ 0.2
GOVERNMENT	11.9	11.9	12.8	0	- 0.9
Federal	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0
State and Local	11.4	11.4	12.3	0	- 0.9
State	4.6	4.6	5.1	0	- 0.5
Local	6.8	6.8	7.2	0	- 0.4

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Monroe MSA was estimated at 61,700 in November. This was 300 more than the October revised estimate, but 200 less than the year-ago figure.

Goods producing employment, estimated at 11,900, showed an increase of 100 from October, but a decrease of 100 from one year ago. Mining, and construction remained stable over the month; however, compared to the year-ago figure, construction rose by 100. Manufacturing employment, at 8,000, was 100 higher than October, but 200 less than last year's figure of 8,200.

Service producing employment was estimated at 49,800 for November. This was 200 more than October, but 100 less than November, 1992. Trade reflected gains of 300 from October and 500 from November one year ago. Finance, insurance, and real estate employment had a minimal loss of 100 over the month.

NEW ORLEANS AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	540.4	537.2	540.7	+ 3.2	- 0.3
GOODS PRODUCING	79.3	79.1	81.4	+ 0.2	- 2.1
MINING	12.2	12.4	13.7	- 0.2	- 1.5
Oil & Gas Extraction	11.8	12.0	13.4	- 0.2	- 1.6
CONSTRUCTION	23.9	23.7	23.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
MANUFACTURING	43.2	43.0	44.4	+ 0.2	- 1.2
Durable Goods	21.3	21.2	22.5	+ 0.1	- 1.2
Lumber and Wood Products	0.6	0.6	0.6	0	0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	1.0	0.9	1.1	+ 0.1	- 0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	2.0	2.0	2.1	0	- 0.1
Machinery Inc. Electrical	3.9	3.9	3.9	0	0
Transportation Equipment	12.0	12.0	12.9	0	- 0.9
Ship & Boatbuilding & Repairing	9.5	9.5	10.0	0	- 0.5
Other Durable Goods	1.8	1.8	1.9	0	- 0.1
Nondurable Goods	21.9	21.8	21.9	+ 0.1	0
Food & Kindred Products	5.7	5.5	5.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2.1	2.0	2.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Printing & Publishing	3.4	3.5	3.6	- 0.1	- 0.2
Chemicals and Allied Products	4.9	4.9	4.9	0	0
Petroleum & Coal Products	4.3	4.4	4.5	- 0.1	- 0.2
Other Nondurable Goods	1.5	1.5	1.4	0	+ 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	461.1	458.1	459.3	+ 3.0	+ 1.8
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	39.5	39.5	40.1	0	- 0.6
Railroad Transportation	1.2	1.3	1.3	- 0.1	- 0.1
Trucking and Warehousing	7.6	7.5	7.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Water Transportation	10.5	10.4	10.6	+ 0.1	- 0.1
Comm. & Public Util.	12.1	12.1	12.6	0	- 0.5
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	137.1	135.8	138.1	+ 1.3	- 1.0
Wholesale Trade	32.1	32.3	31.5	- 0.2	+ 0.6
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	17.1	17.2	17.0	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	15.0	15.1	14.5	- 0.1	+ 0.5
Retail Trade	105.0	103.5	106.6	+ 1.5	- 1.6
General Merchandise	12.2	11.8	13.1	+ 0.4	- 0.9
Food Stores	20.1	20.0	21.1	+ 0.1	- 1.0
Eating & Drinking Places	37.9	37.6	37.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	29.1	29.2	28.9	- 0.1	+ 0.2
Banking	9.0	9.0	8.8	0	+ 0.2
SERVICES	162.2	160.4	157.9	+ 1.8	+ 4.3
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	14.2	13.6	14.1	+ 0.6	+ 0.1
Health Services	46.0	45.9	45.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Educational Services	18.6	18.6	17.6	0	+ 1.0
GOVERNMENT	93.2	93.2	94.3	0	- 1.1
Federal	16.5	16.5	16.6	0	- 0.1
State and Local	76.7	76.7	77.7	0	- 1.0
State	20.6	20.6	21.5	0	- 0.9
Local	56.1	56.1	56.2	0	- 0.1

NEW ORLEANS AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment for the New Orleans MSA in November was estimated at 540,400, an increase of 3,200 over the October revised estimate, but 300 below November, 1992.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 79,300 for November. This was 200 more than last month, but 2,100 less than the year-ago figure. Mining exhibited an over-the-month decrease of 200 in the oil and gas extraction segment. Construction rose mainly due to more business in the general building, and special trade contractors segments. Manufacturing payrolls showed a small increase in both the durable and nondurable goods sectors.

Employment in the service producing industry was estimated at 461,100 for November. This estimate was 3,000 more than October and 1,800 higher than November one year ago. Trade was up due to seasonal hiring for holiday shopping at retail stores. Finance, insurance, and real estate employment was down 100 in the insurance sector. Services, which registered the largest over-the-month gain, was up by 1,800 mostly in the hotels and other lodging places, and amusement and recreation services segments. Transportation, communications, and public utilities; and government employment held steady in November.

An estimated 29,600 production workers in the New Orleans MSA earned $540.60 per week, down $23.17 from last month's average. Average weekly hours were 42.5, down 0.8 hours from the previous month. Average hourly earnings were $12.72, down $0.30 from October, but $0.53 higher than November of last year.

Estimated unemployment was 40,900 in November. The unemployment rate registered 7.3 percent. Recipients of regular U. I. Benefits totaled 7,145.

SHREVEPORT AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Nov. 1993*	Oct. 1993**	Nov. 1992**	Net Change From Oct. 1993	Net Change From Nov. 1992
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	142.2	142.1	140.0	+ 0.1	+ 2.2
GOODS PRODUCING	27.3	27.2	26.3	+ 0.1	+ 1.0
MINING	2.6	2.6	2.7	0	- 0.1
CONSTRUCTION	7.8	7.6	6.5	+ 0.2	+ 1.3
MANUFACTURING	16.9	17.0	17.1	- 0.1	- 0.2
Durable Goods	11.1	11.2	11.3	- 0.1	- 0.2
Lumber and Wood Products	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0
Primary and Fabricated Metals	1.8	1.8	1.9	0	- 0.1
Machinery, Inc. Electrical	4.3	4.4	4.3	- 0.1	0
Other Durable Goods	4.5	4.5	4.6	0	- 0.1
Nondurable Goods	5.8	5.8	5.8	0	0
Food & Kindred Products	0.8	0.8	0.8	0	0
Printing & Publishing	1.2	1.2	1.3	0	- 0.1
Chemicals & Petroleum Products	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	+ 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	114.9	114.9	113.7	0	+ 1.2
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	7.6	7.6	8.0	0	- 0.4
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	34.2	34.3	34.0	- 0.1	+ 0.2
Wholesale Trade	8.4	8.4	8.4	0	0
Retail Trade	25.8	25.9	25.6	- 0.1	+ 0.2
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	6.7	6.7	6.5	0	+ 0.2
SERVICES	37.6	37.5	36.6	+ 0.1	+ 1.0
GOVERNMENT	28.8	28.8	28.6	0	+ 0.2
Federal	5.1	5.1	5.1	0	0
State and Local	23.7	23.7	23.5	0	+ 0.2
State	7.8	7.8	7.8	0	0
Local	15.9	15.9	15.7	0	+ 0.2

SHREVEPORT AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Shreveport MSA during November was estimated at 142,200, an increase of 100 from the October revised estimate and 2,200 above the year-ago figure.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 27,300, a gain of 100 from the October estimate of 27,200. Construction was up by 200, with the job growth centered in the special trade contractors sector. Manufacturing had a minimal loss of 100.

Service producing employment was unchanged from the October level of 114,900, and compared to a year ago, this sector is up by 1,200 jobs overall. Trade had a minimal loss of 100, while services showed a minimal gain of 100.

An estimated 12,600 production workers in manufacturing in the Shreveport MSA had average weekly earnings of $637.14 in November, compared to $639.00 in October, and $584.05 a year ago. Average weekly hours dropped to 44.4 in November, compared to 45.0 in October and 40.7 a year ago. Average hourly earnings increased to $14.35 in November from the October level of $14.20, but was unchanged from the November, 1992 figure.

The Shreveport MSA had a civilian labor force in November of 157,300, including 146,000 employed and 11,300 unemployed. The unemployment rate was 7.2 percent.

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19TH OF NOVEMBER 1993

INDUSTRY	LOUISIANA			ALEXANDRIA AREA			BATON ROUGE AREA		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	834	652	182	12	12	0	24	14	10
Contract Construction (15-17)	6,951	4,734	2,217	204	142	62	1,657	1,159	498
Manufacturing (20-39)	3,417	1,769	1,648	100	53	47	269	158	111
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	1,250	725	525	32	25	7	149	89	60
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	906	649	257	10	10	0	156	116	40
Retail Trade (52-59)	3,875	2,028	1,847	101	68	33	538	240	298
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	903	673	230	20	19	1	118	90	28
Services & Misc. (70-89 & 01-09)	7,426	3,931	3,495	215	121	94	924	465	459
Public Administration (91-97)	1,296	608	688	72	36	36	130	55	75
All Others	157	78	79	0	0	0	97	46	51
Totals	27,015	15,847	11,168	766	486	280	4,062	2,432	1,630

OCCUPATIONS									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	4,130	3,057	1,073	87	69	18	731	523	208
Clerical and Sales	6,444	4,267	2,177	161	127	34	885	537	348
Services Occupations	3,146	892	2,254	129	46	83	256	64	192
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related	327	96	231	15	8	7	19	13	6
Processing Occupations	516	224	292	8	3	5	43	23	20
Machine Trades	1,296	855	441	84	66	18	152	107	45
Benchwork Occupations	789	364	425	23	6	17	43	27	16
Structural Work Occupations	6,909	4,406	2,503	192	124	68	1,556	993	563
Miscellaneous Occupations	3,458	1,686	1,772	67	37	30	377	145	232
Totals	27,015	15,847	11,168	766	486	280	4,062	2,432	1,630

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19TH OF NOVEMBER 1993

INDUSTRY	HOUMA-THIBODAUX AREA			LAFAYETTE AREA			LAKE CHARLES AREA		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	60	55	5	114	92	22	20	17	3
Contract Construction (15-17)	190	146	44	116	78	38	500	402	98
Manufacturing (20-39)	128	85	43	122	64	58	87	55	32
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	47	41	6	37	25	12	43	30	13
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	31	30	1	45	33	12	24	15	9
Retail Trade (52-59)	107	72	35	200	115	85	146	94	52
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	16	14	2	46	40	6	36	33	3
Services & Misc. (70-89 & 01-09)	172	124	48	297	201	96	228	149	79
Public Administration (91-97)	37	20	17	62	44	18	18	8	10
All Others	1	1	0	2	2	0	2	0	2
Totals	789	588	201	1,041	694	347	1,104	803	301
OCCUPATIONS									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	114	100	14	202	169	33	145	117	28
Clerical and Sales	174	135	39	292	236	56	259	205	54
Services Occupations	71	42	29	150	51	99	92	37	55
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	7	2	5	11	6	5	22	8	14
Processing Occupations	28	10	18	51	26	25	25	15	10
Machine Trades	44	33	11	26	17	9	36	26	10
Benchwork Occupations	6	3	3	41	18	23	25	14	11
Structural Work Occupations	242	188	54	138	103	35	379	300	79
Miscellaneous Occupations	103	75	28	130	68	62	121	81	40
Totals	789	588	201	1,041	694	347	1,104	803	301

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	MONROE AREA			NEW ORLEANS AREA			SHREVEPORT AREA		
INDUSTRY	**TOTAL**	**WHITE**	**NON-WHITE**	**TOTAL**	**WHITE**	**NON-WHITE**	**TOTAL**	**WHITE**	**NON-WHITE**
Mining (10-14)	8	8	0	189	136	53	43	31	12
Contract Construction (15-17)	161	121	40	1,254	755	499	314	175	139
Manufacturing (20-39)	74	51	23	732	405	327	330	166	164
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	18	9	9	541	257	284	130	75	55
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	12	10	2	309	204	105	119	81	38
Retail Trade (52-59)	157	84	73	1,401	651	750	348	149	199
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	28	17	11	401	284	117	105	70	35
Services & Misc. (70-89 & 01-09)	263	151	112	3,005	1,469	1,536	671	300	371
Public Administration (91-97)	46	17	29	345	128	217	88	40	48
All Others	0	0	0	22	14	8	2	1	1
Totals	767	468	299	8,199	4,303	3,896	2,150	1,088	1,062
OCCUPATIONS									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	89	66	23	1,703	1,182	521	267	225	42
Clerical and Sales	243	164	79	2,456	1,474	982	610	374	236
Services Occupations	103	25	78	1,219	272	947	341	48	293
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	0	0	0	59	18	41	28	2	26
Processing Occupations	4	1	3	106	39	67	24	2	22
Machine Trades	49	26	23	267	178	89	132	85	47
Benchwork Occupations	9	5	4	104	49	55	121	48	73
Structural Work Occupations	112	91	21	1,394	736	658	344	184	160
Miscellaneous Occupations	158	90	68	891	355	536	283	120	163
Totals	767	468	299	8,199	4,303	3,896	2,150	1,088	1,062

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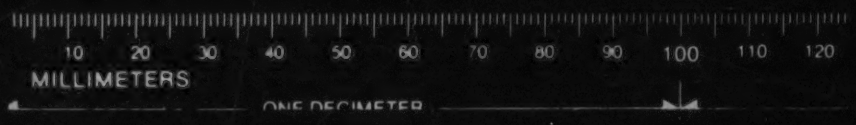

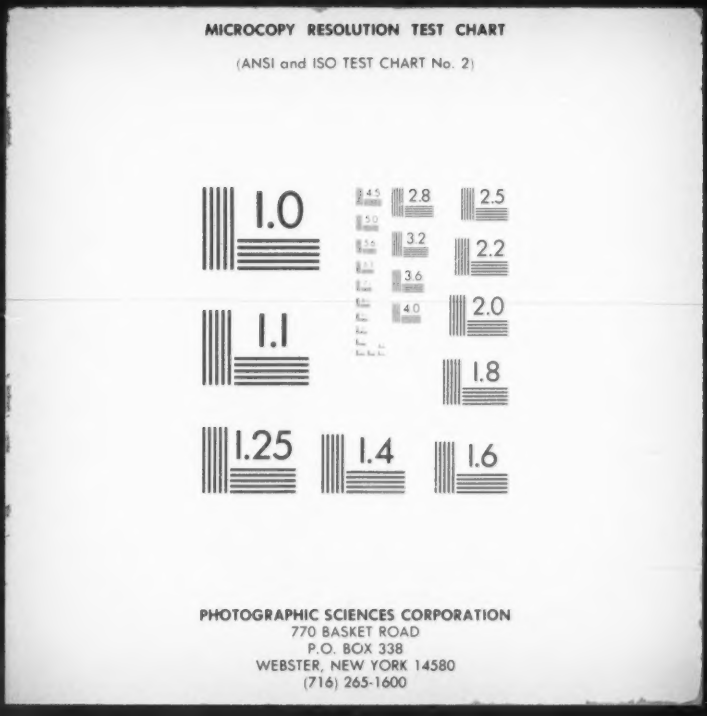

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